

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A SCSI message manipulation circuit in a SCSI  
5 expander detects a specified SCSI message from either a  
SCSI initiator, or a SCSI target. After detecting the  
specified SCSI message, the SCSI message manipulation  
circuit detects a pre-selected message-unit, e.g., a  
specific byte, within the message. Upon detecting the  
10 pre-selected message unit, the SCSI message  
manipulation circuit sets a pre-selected sub-unit,  
e.g., a bit, within the pre-selected message-unit to a  
state, which is programmable, as the SCSI message  
passes through the SCSI expander.

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